

Claims:

1. A slide fastener comprising:

a pair of fastener tapes each having a fastener element for engagement, and  
a slider for closing and opening the fastener tapes;

5       said fastener elements protruding from the respective tapes and engaging with  
each other thereby making it possible for the pair of fastener tapes to be joined one  
above the other.

2. A slide fastener according to claim 1 wherein the fastener elements are arranged  
longitudinally at locations other than the longitudinal edges of the fastener tapes.

10    3. A slide fastener according to claim 1 wherein the fastener elements are coils.

4. A slide fastener according to claim 1 wherein the fastener elements are rows of teeth.

5. A slide fastener according to claim 1, wherein the slider has a guide column and a top  
plate and a bottom plate provided above and below said guide column;

15    one end of said top plate extending downward, forming a left side part, while the other  
end extending to an open space;

one end of said bottom plate extending upward, forming a right side part, while the  
other end extending to an open space; and

left and right fastener-element housings are formed between the guide column and the  
left and right side parts.

20    6. A slide fastener according to claim 5, wherein a pull is established on a side part of  
the slider body.

7. A slide fastener according to claim 6, wherein the pull is provided with a string.